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**PATENT APPLICATION**

Applicants: Nallan, et al.

Case: 7017 C1/ETCH/METAL-NVM/JB1

Serial No.: 10/805,890

Filed: March 22, 2004

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Title: METHOD OF PLASMA ETCHING OF HIGH-K DIELECTRIC MATERIALS WITH  
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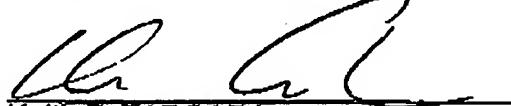
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